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For: MULTI-STAGE CLICK SWITCH

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS, page 7

Please enter the amended brief description of drawings as follows:

FIGS. 1A and 1B are cross sectional views of a first embodiment of a multi-stage click switch of the present invention.

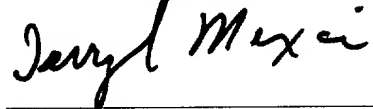
FIGS. 6A and 6B are vertical cross sectional views showing the positional relation between the rubber contact portion and a rubber switch pressing portion in a first-stage switch-operating condition of the multi-stage click switch of FIGS 1A and 1B.

FIGS. 7A and 7B are cross sectional views explanatory of the operation of the multi-stage click switch of FIGS 1A and 1B.

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS:

The brief description of drawings is changed as follows:

~~Fig. 1 is a cross-sectional view~~FIGS. 1A and 1B are cross sectional views of a first embodiment of a multi-stage click switch of the present invention.

~~Fig. 6 is a vertical cross-sectional view~~FIGS. 6A and 6B are vertical cross sectional views showing the positional relation between the rubber contact portion and a rubber switch pressing portion in a first-stage switch-operating condition of the multi-stage click switch of ~~Fig. 1~~FIGS 1A and 1B.

~~Fig. 7 is a cross-sectional view~~FIGS. 7A and 7B are cross sectional views explanatory of the operation of the multi-stage click switch of ~~Fig. 1~~FIGS 1A and 1B.